UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

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Plaintiff,

File No. 1:10-CR-160

v.

HON. ROBERT HOLMES BELL

FRANK JUNIOR TATUM,

Defendant.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendant Frank Junior Tatum's motion for order permitting counsel to withdraw and for continuance of pretrial and trial proceedings. (Dkt. No. 27.) In support of the motion Defense counsel represented that his inability to gain Defendant Tatum's cooperation has interfered with his ability to effectively represent Defendant at trial.

At the final pretrial conference on August 19, 2010, Defendant failed to present any valid reason for his failure to cooperate with counsel. The Court finds no good cause for granting the relief requested. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendant Frank Junior Tatum's motion for order permitting counsel to withdraw and for continuance of pretrial and trial proceedings (Dkt. No. 27) is **DENIED**.

Dated: August 19, 2010

/s/ Robert Holmes Bell ROBERT HOLMES BELL UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE